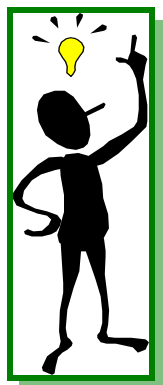


## Do you have a problem...?

...in need of a research solution? The NHDOT Research Section is currently accepting suggestions for new research projects. A potential research topic might be as simple as an evaluation of a product or process, as complex as development of a new management tool or policy, or anything in between. If you've ever imagined a better or more efficient way of doing things, are tired of an archaic system that needs updating, or are itching to try a new technology that could make you better at what you do, the research program might be just what you're looking for!



The Department is connected to a number of resources at the local, regional and national level that can be utilized to solve a problem through research. The Research Section, along with the NHDOT Research Advisory Council (RAC), evaluates research suggestions and matches them with one or more appropriate programs.

**Did you know...** Since 1991, federal mandates require that at least 1/2 of 1% of a state's core Federal-aid be dedicated to research? In New Hampshire, this equates to approximately \$900,000 when combined with state matching funds..

# \$PR

These "SPR" dollars are the core of the NHDOT research program. SPR projects may be conducted in-house or under contract and directly benefit the State of New Hampshire.

## When does 1 + 1 = 20?

By partnering with other state DOTs, the Department can leverage its funds to accomplish larger or more complex projects of a regional or national nature. NHDOT pools a portion of its SPR funds to three major pooled-fund programs:

New England Transportation Consortium (NETC)

National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP)

Transportation Pooled-Fund Program (TPF)

## YOU'RE INVITED!! RESEARCH SHOWCASE & POSTER SESSION

Stop by and see what we're up to!!

- PROJECT DISPLAYS
- BENEFITS TO THE DEPARTMENT
- RESEARCH RESOURCES
- REGIONAL AND NATIONAL NETWORKS
- HOW RESEARCH CAN HELP YOU!

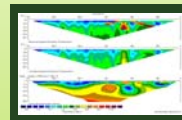
Hosted by the NHDOT Research Office.

John O. Morton Building

large conference room,

Jan. 4, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Refreshments will be available



## Suggest a research topic

Research suggestions should be submitted to the Research Section of the Materials and Research Bureau using the form provided on the back of this newsletter. The form is also available on the NHDOT Research website at <http://www.nh.gov/dot/research>. Your suggestions will be matched to one or more appropriate research programs. If selected, you'll have an opportunity to shape the direction of the research and participate in implementation of successful results.

"If we knew what it was we were doing, it would not be called research, would it?" — **Albert Einstein.**